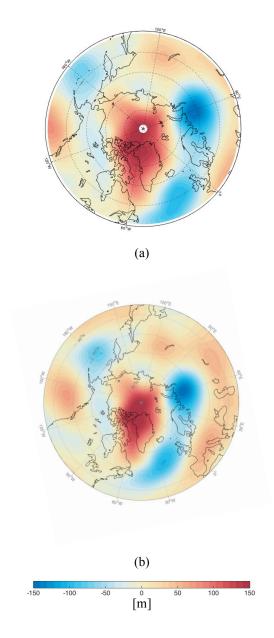
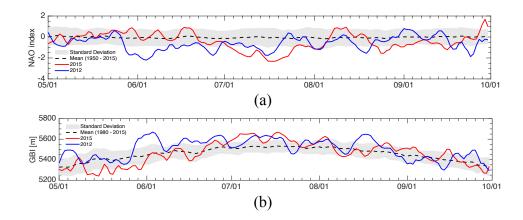


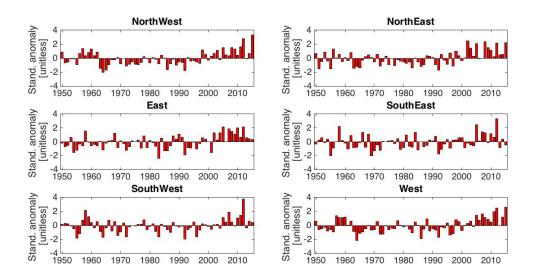
Supplementary figure 1. Monthly-averaged geopotential height 500hPa anomalies (1981 – 2010) expressed in meters for the months of June (a,b), July (c,d) and august (e,f) for the years 2012 (left column) and 2015 (right column).



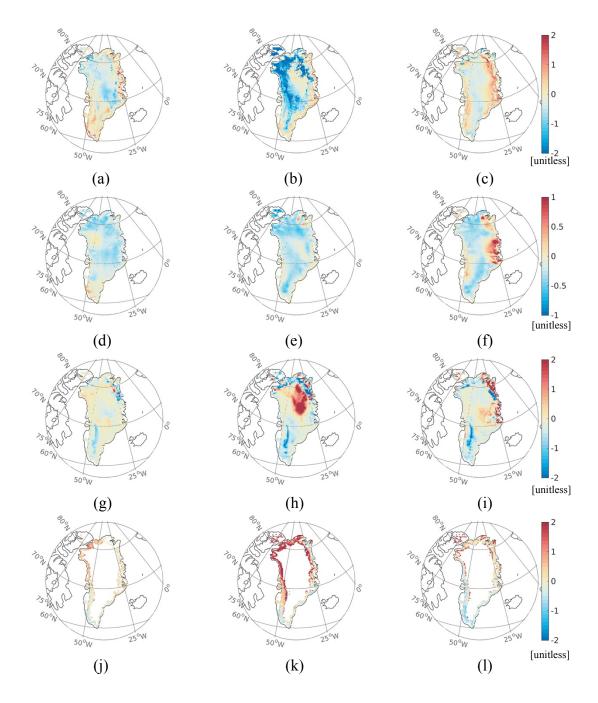
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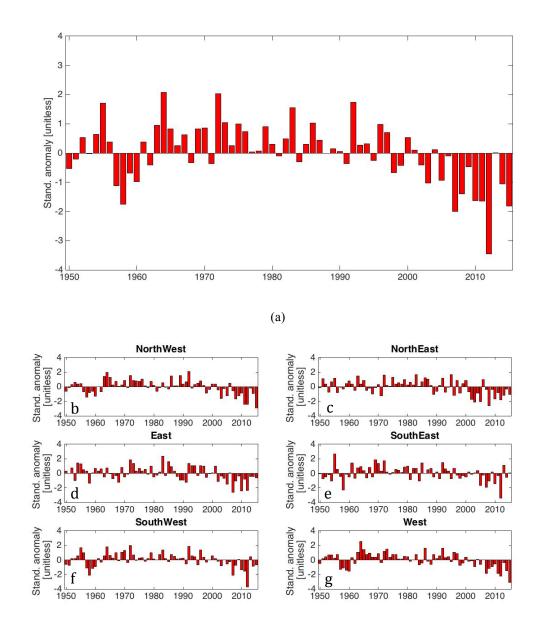
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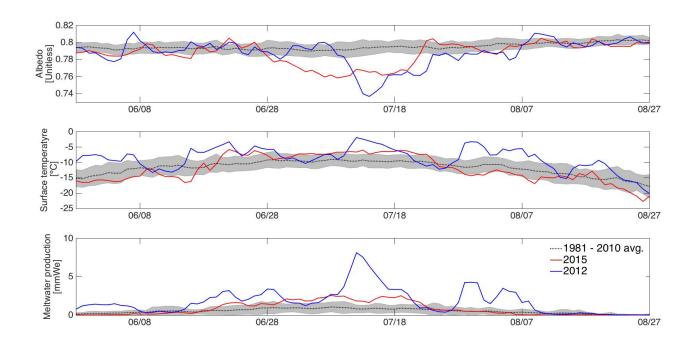
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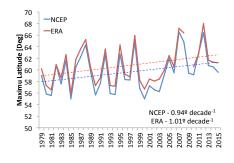
Supplementary figure 5. Anomaly maps of monthly averaged values for standardized anomalies of albedo (a-c), snowfall (d-f), rainfall (g-i) and runoff (j-l) for the months of June (left column), July (mid column) and August (right column), as simulated by MAR forced by NCEP-NCARv1 reanalysis. Baseline period to compute anomalies is 1981-2010.



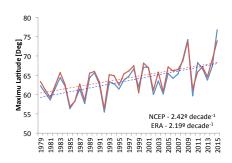
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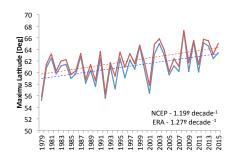
Supplementary figure 7. Daily a) albedo [untiless], b) surface temperature [$^{\circ}$ C] and c) meltwater production [mmWe] for the period June 1 – September 1 for years 2015 (red) and 2012 (blue) as simulated by MAR forced with NCEP-NCARv1 reanalysis. The dashed black line represents the 1981 – 2010 averaged values and the gray shaded area represents ± 1 standard deviation from the mean.



(a)



(b)



(c)

Supplementary figure 8. Maximum latitude of ridge peaks computed from the 500 hPa 5700±50 m isoheight for the period 1979 – 2015 over the region bounded between 45–85°N and 100°W – 0°E (included in the area marked by the dashed lines in Fig. 1a), averaged over the months of a) June, b) July and c) August using the NCEP-NCAR (Kalnay et al. 1996, blue coloured lines) and ERA-Interim (http://www.ecmwf.int/en/research/climate-reanalysis/era-interim) datasets. Linear trends for the results obtained with the two reanalysis products are report in the lower left corner of each panel.